

OLIVER NICKEL
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--1. (Once Amended) A masking tape comprising:

- a) a heat resistant adhesive tape comprising a flexible sheet backing and a pressure-sensitive adhesive composition,
- b) a masking material, which is laminated in an edge region of the pressure-sensitive adhesive composition, said masking material being capable of adhering to paint and of absorbing paint, and
- c) a masking sheet, which is laminated onto said edge region of the pressure-sensitive adhesive composition, the masking sheet covering the masking material on a side thereof.--

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

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